BUREAU OF STATISTICS

YUKON RETAIL SALES

February 2008

1 Monthly Retail Sales, Yukon *(not seasonally adjusted)*

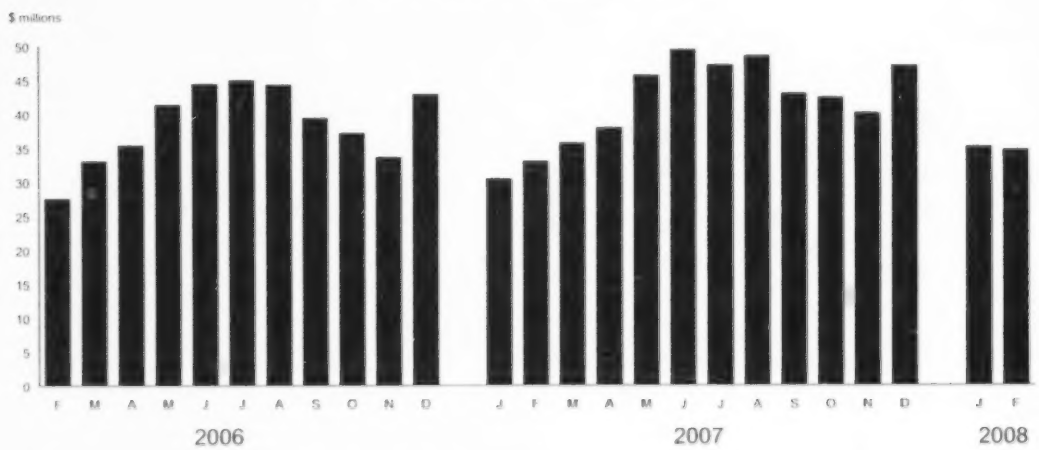
- Total preliminary retail sales in the Yukon for February 2008 were $34,659,000
- The revised February 2007 figure was $32,979,000
- The difference was an increase of.....$1,680,000
- As a percentage, the increase was.....5.1%

Preliminary unadjusted estimates of Yukon retail sales for February 2008 increased 5.1% from revised figures for February 2007. Canada's retail sales were up 10.2% over the same time period.

On an annual basis, revised retail sales in the Yukon for 2007 totalled $500,268,000; an increase of $48,961,000, or 10.8% over the revised 2006 annual total of $451,307,000.

Note to readers: Unadjusted monthly estimates were revised as of January 2006. Factors influencing revisions include late receipt of respondent information, correction of information on data provided, the replacement of estimated figures with actual values (once available), the re-classification of companies within, into and out of the retail trade industry and updates to seasonal and trading day factors.

Yukon Monthly Retail Sales
February 2006 to February 2008



Each column represents a month of the year, with the first letter of the month's name listed below the column.

2 Yukon Retail Sales *(not seasonally adjusted)*

		Monthly Sales ($000,000)	Change from Previous Month (%)	Change from Same Month One Year Before (%)	Year-to-Date Total Sales ($000,000)	Change from Year-to-Date One Year Before (%)
2008	Feb (p)	34.7	-1.3	5.1	69.8	10.1
	Jan (r)	35.1	-25.4	15.6	35.1	15.6
2007	Dec (r)	47.1	17.3	9.9	500.3	10.8
	Nov (r)	40.1	-5.3	19.4	453.2	10.9
	Oct (r)	42.4	1.3	14.1	413.1	10.2
	Sep (r)	43.0	-1.4	9.2	370.7	9.8
	Aug (r)	48.5	2.9	9.7	327.7	9.8
	Jul (r)	47.2	-4.5	5.1	279.2	9.9
	Jun (r)	49.4	8.3	11.4	232.0	10.9
	May (r)	45.6	20.3	10.5	182.6	10.7
	Apr (r)	37.9	6.2	7.4	137.0	10.8
	Mar (r)	35.7	8.3	8.2	99.1	12.2
	Feb (r)	33.0	8.6	19.9	63.4	14.5
	Jan (r)	30.4	-29.1	9.2	30.4	9.2
2006	Dec (r)	42.8	27.5	9.0	451.3	4.0
	Nov (r)	33.6	-9.5	-1.6	408.5	3.5
	Oct (r)	37.1	-5.6	7.6	374.9	4.0
	Sep (r)	39.3	-11.1	5.8	337.7	3.6
	Aug (r)	44.2	-1.5	7.7	298.4	3.3
	Jul (r)	44.9	1.2	5.7	254.1	2.6
	Jun (r)	44.4	7.5	6.4	209.3	2.0
	May (r)	41.3	17.0	2.8	164.9	0.8
	Apr (r)	35.3	7.0	0.0	123.6	0.2
	Mar (r)	33.0	20.0	-2.7	88.3	0.3
	Feb (r)	27.5	-1.2	3.9	55.3	2.1

(p)—Preliminary figures (r)—Revised figures

In February 2008, the unadjusted preliminary retail sales figure in the Yukon ($34,659,000) decreased 1.3% from the revised figure for January '08 ($35,101,000). Sales increased by 8.6% from January '07 to February '07 and decreased 1.2% from January '06 to February '06.

On an annual basis, revised annual retail sales in the Yukon for 2007 total $500,268,000, an increase of $48,960,000, or 10.8% over the revised 2006 annual total of $451,307,000.

3 Yukon Monthly Retail Sales by trade group *(not seasonally adjusted)*

		Total Sales	Automotive	Food and beverage stores	Clothing and accessories stores	Other Trade Groups*
		$ 000s				
2008 Feb	(p)	34,659	12,029	10,185	974	11,471
Jan	(r)	35,101	11,747	10,565	932	11,857
2007 Dec	(r)	47,083	12,443	13,264	2,409	18,967
Nov	(r)	40,134	12,252	11,698	1,520	14,664
Oct	(r)	42,391	14,148	11,544	1,508	15,191
Sep	(r)	42,961	14,087	11,898	1,608	15,368
Aug	(r)	48,513	16,238	14,043	1,425	16,807
Jul	(r)	47,167	15,421	13,557	1,401	16,788
Jun	(r)	49,413	17,096	14,407	1,431	16,479
May	(r)	45,630	15,892	13,228	1,259	15,251
Apr	(r)	37,916	12,885	11,066	1,128	12,837
Mar	(r)	35,705	11,607	11 084	1,245	11,769
Feb	(r)	32,979	12,822	9,234	1,080	9,843

(p)—Preliminary figures (r)—Revised figures

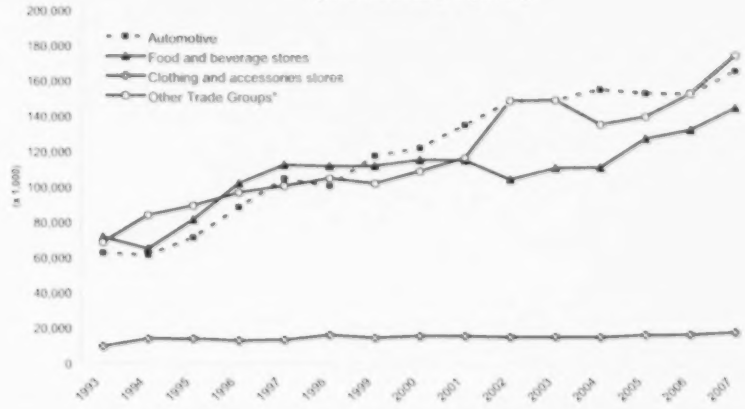
*See footnotes on page 4.

4 Yukon Annual Retail Sales by trade group *(not seasonally adjusted)*

	Total Sales	Automotive	Food and beverage stores	Clothing and accessories stores	Other Trade Groups*
			$ 000s		
2007 (r)	500,268	165,048	144,211	16,942	174,067
2006 (r)	451,308	151,895	131,674	15,607	152,132
2005	433,914	152,421	126,803	15,444	139,246
2004	413,966	154,487	110,408	14,267	134,804
2003	421,648	148,563	110,130	14,396	148,559
2002	413,863	147,830	103,584	14,259	148,190
2001	379,591	134,517	114,417	14,845	115,812
2000	359,434	121,459	114,732	14,884	108,359
1999	343,723	117,034	111,381	13,898	101,410
1998	330,911	99,927	111,211	15,465	104,308
1997	328,844	104,065	111,914	12,831	100,034
1996	298,257	87,993	101,529	12,378	96,356
1995	254,013	70,757	80,927	13,424	88,905
1994	222,414	60,985	64,402	13,511	83,515
1993	211,028	62,281	71,181	9,293	68,273

*See footnote on page 4

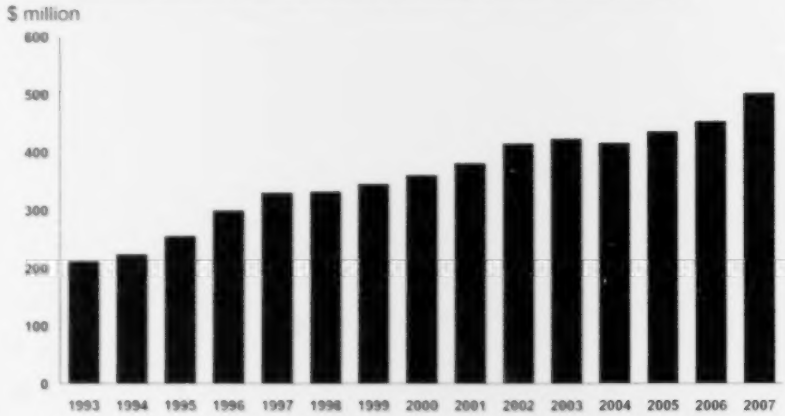
Retail trade by trade group, 1993-2007
(Not seasonally adjusted)



5 Retail Trade Survey Information

Retail sales figures obtained from surveys and GST remittances are a key monthly indicator of consumer purchasing patterns in Canada. Furthermore, retail sales are an important component of the Gross Domestic Product, which measures Canada's production, and are part of many economic models used by public and private agencies. The Bank of Canada relies partly on monthly retail sales estimates when making decisions that influence interest rates. Businesses use retail sales estimates to track their own performance against industry averages and to prepare investment strategies.

6 Yukon Retail Sales *(not seasonally adjusted)* Annual Estimates, 1993 to 2007



During the past 15 years, annual retail sales in the Yukon have ranged from a low of $211,028,000 in 1993 to the revised 2007 figure of $500,268,000. The largest increase in sales over the previous year occurred in 1996 when sales were up $44,244,000, or 17.4%, over sales in 1995. The only decrease in sales occurred in 2004, when sales fell $7,682,000, or 1.8%, from the 2003 figure. Retail sales in the Yukon have increased each year since 1992 with exception of the slight decrease in 2004.

	Yukon		Canada	
	Retail Sales ($million)	% change from previous year	Retail Sales ($million)	% change from previous year
2007 (r)	500.3	10.8	412,037.3	5.8
2006 (r)	451.3	4.0	389,485.1	6.4
2005	433.9	4.8	366,170.7	5.6
2004	414.0	-1.8	346,721.5	4.7
2003	421.6	1.9	331,146.6	3.6
2002	413.9	9.0	319,525.4	6.3
2001	379.6	5.6	300,447.9	4.4
2000	359.4	4.6	287,838.4	6.0
1999	343.7	3.9	271,532.0	5.9
1998	330.9	0.6	256,494.4	3.9
1997	328.8	10.3	246,817.9	8.0
1996	298.3	17.4	228,439.6	3.3
1995	254.0	14.2	221,077.9	3.3
1994	222.4	5.4	213,991.7	7.4
1993	211.0	2.9	199,334.9	5.1

Footnotes:

1. Definitions of the NAICS categories included in each trade group are available through the Bureau of Statistics.
2. 'Other Trade Groups' is equal to total sales minus the trade groups listed. 'Other Trade Groups' includes *Furniture, Home Furnishings and Electronics Stores; Building and Outdoor Home Supplies Stores; Pharmacies and Personal Care Stores; General Merchandise Stores and Miscellaneous Retailers*, which are not released separately by Statistics Canada due to confidentiality restrictions.

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